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STATEMENT OF FCC CHAIRMAN MICHAEL POWELL ON U.S. SUPREME COURT DECISION IN TELRIC CASE

I'm pleased that the Supreme Court has affirmed the Commission's implementation of the 1996 Telecom Act.

This decision brings much-needed additional certainty to the legal landscape and should advance the Commission's efforts to carry out the statute's competition goals.

I thank the Solicitor General for his vigorous efforts in representing the Commission before the Court.